GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Planning Department – NITI Aayog - Programme for convergence, Integration and Focussed attention to Backward Districts - Constitution of a Committee.

PLANNING (X) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 642 Dated: 01-12-2017.

Read the following

1. From the CEO, NITI Aayog, D.O.Lr.No.87558/CEO/NITI/2017, Dated 14-11-2017.
2. From the CEO, NITI Aayog, D.O.Lr.No.87558/CEO/NITI/2017, Dated 24-11-2017.

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ORDER:

The Union Government, in its endeavour to raise the level of socio-economic development of pockets of underdevelopment, decided to launch a special initiative to rapidly transform 115 backward districts in the country by addressing their specific developmental needs. These backward districts comprise of 35 Left Wing Extremist (LWE) affected districts, 30 most backward districts identified by the NITI Aayog on the basis of a composite index and another pool of 50 districts as identified by different ministries, where they would be converging their efforts for improvement in the outcomes. As part of this initiative, in all, three districts, namely, Vizianagaram, Kadapa(from out of the 50 districts identified by the Ministries) and Visakhapatnam(LWE district) have been identified from the state of Andhra Pradesh. The District Collector will be the fulcrum of this development initiative.

2. The CEO, NITI Aayog, in the reference read above has requested to constitute a Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary and designate a Secretary level officer for each of the identified districts to ensure effective convergence between Central and State government programmes, establish an efficient feedback mechanism and to provide a platform for replicating the best practices from other districts. A Secretary level officer from the state is to be designated for ensuring day-today interaction with the NITI Aayog, New Delhi. From the Central government side, one Additional Secretary/Joint Secretary level officer has also been nominated as *Prabhari Officer,* for each of the identified districts.

3. Government, hereby nominate the following three Secretary level officers as District- In-charge Officers and one Secretary level officer as State level Nodal officer and constitute a Committee of these Secretaries under the **Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary** for smooth running of the said initiative and to act as a bridge between the Centre and the Districts.

(P.T.O)

Sl. No.	Name & Designation of Secretary designated	District In-charge Officer & Member of the Committee
1.	Sri K.S. Jawahar Reddy, Prl. Secretary, PR&RD	Kadapa district
2.	Sri Kantilal Dandey, Secretary(EO), Housing	Vizianagaram district
3.	Sri Soloman Arokia Raj, Secretary, Industries	Visakhapatnam
4.	Sri Sanjay Gupta, Secretary(EO), Planning	State level Nodal Officer and Member-Convenor

4. The District In-charge Secretaries together with the Prabhari Officers and respective district collectors shall prepare detailed District Action Plans, clearly spelling out the blue print for achieving the targets by 2022. The team of officers will act as a bridge between the Centre and the District/ State and use their experience to make a major improvement in key performance indicators largely through convergence of schemes of the Centre and States and sharing of best practices, especially pertaining to real time monitoring of progress made in each sector.

5. The committee will meet as frequently as possible to discuss the progress made in respect of various indicators vis-a-vis the year-wise targets set upto the year 2022 as part of the District Action Plans to be prepared for each of the above identified districts.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Secretary to Govt., Industries dept.
The Secretary (EO) to Govt., Housing dept.
The Secretary(EO) to Govt., Planning dept.
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The District Collector, Vizianagaram
The District Collector, Kadapa
The District Collector, Visakhapatnam
The CEO,NITI Aayog
Sri BH Anil Kumar, IAS, Joint Secretary, MSME – Prabhari Officer for Vizianagaram district
Sri B.Kishore, IAS, Joint Secretary, Animal Husbandry – Prabhari Officer for Kadapa district
Sri Shiv Das Menon, IAS, Joint Secretary, MoHUA – Prabhari Officer for Visakhapatnam district
PS to CS for information.

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SECTION OFFICER